



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2115
A bill to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater within and outside of the service area of the Lakehaven Utility District, Washington

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on October 17, 2001

SUMMARY

H.R. 2115 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater in the Lakehaven Utility District. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2115 would cost \$8 million over the 2002-2006 period, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. H.R. 2115 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 2115 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). State and local governments might incur some costs to match the federal funds authorized by this bill, but these costs would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2115 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006

CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION

Estimated Authorization Level	10	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	1	1	1	2	3

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes H.R. 2115 will be enacted early in fiscal year 2002 and the necessary funds will be appropriated this year. Based on information from the Bureau of Reclamation, we estimate that the Lakehaven Water Reclamation and Reuse Project would cost \$38 million. H.R. 2115 would amend section 1615 of the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize funding for this project. The bill would limit the federal contribution to 25 percent of the project's total cost. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2115 would cost the federal government \$8 million over the 2002-2006 period and an additional \$2 million thereafter. The remaining project costs would be paid for with nonfederal funds. H.R. 2115 would not allow the federal government to fund the operation and maintenance of the project.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

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